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## Telegrams.

HIS MAJESTY THE KING  
LIBELED.

EDITOR TO BE TRIED IN  
LONDON.

(THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.)

London, Jan. 29,  
10.20 p.m.

A sensation has been caused in England through the statements made reflecting on His Majesty the King.

As a result of publication, the trial takes place, on Wednesday, of the editor of the *Liberator*.

The charge is that of libelling King George, the paper having alleged that a morganatic marriage took place

8 or 9 years ago in Malta.

## QUARANTINE?

VESSEL FROM THE NORTH  
IN PORT.

REFUSED TO ACCEPT DETEN-  
TION AT TSINGTAU.

A steamer from the plague-stricken north has arrived in port after having sailed on her southward voyage to remain under quarantine at one of her ports of call.

The steamer belongs to a large shipping company here. The port of call which imposed quarantine on her was Tsingtau.

Leaving Chefoo—the plague-ridden Shantung port—last Tuesday, she arrived in due course at Tsingtau. The German authorities, who, as will be seen from the appended cable, are taking every precaution, informed the local agent that the vessel must submit to a five days' quarantine.

The head office was communicated with, and orders were returned that the vessel was to ignore Tsingtau and proceed at once upon her voyage.

She has, now, arrived at Hongkong, coming direct from the region of the plague out-

break. Her people are in the Colony. Her cargo is being discharged. Under the circumstances some people might not regard her as a desirable unit in the labour.

We have given a great deal of space to news of the progress of the plague; but we have also pointed out that "scare" is natural. Nevertheless, and without wishing in any way to exaggerate, we, and many leading members of this community with us, think that it is time some restriction was placed on vessels entering this port from the north. If Tsingtau, nearer the stricken region, and consequently more fitted to judge the danger, considers it

necessary to impose quarantine, the necessity is no less for Hongkong.

We presume the Government of Kwangtung has not informed the Hongkong Government of the movements of the vessel in question. If it has it appears to us a strange imperturbability which permitted the steamer to anchor here.

## NO SIGN OF APPEARANCE AT TSINGTAU.

One of our readers, a well-known German resident, sends us the following cable with reference to the plague, which he has received from Tsingtau.

"Tsingtau, Jan. 31.—Reports of plague at Tsingtau are utterly false."

"We are free of plague up to the present."

"The authorities are taking every precaution and we do not expect danger."

"Contradict newspaper report immediately."

## A STRIKING FACT.

In the prevailing plague situation in North and South Manchuria the one fact that stands out in bold relief is that

so far not a Japanese has been reported as stricken down by the epidemic.

This strange fact is made doubly strange, because, since the outbreak of the accursed pestilence at Harbin followed by Changchun, Mukden and finally at Dairen, Japanese physicians have worked actively and fearlessly right in the midst of the infested localities and, in fact, are now struggling with the determination of brave men under an enemy's fire, for the mastery of the situation against the most dreadful form of visitation invented by the awful Avenger.—*Macmillan Daily News.*

## AN UNFAVOURABLE REPORT

Peking, Jan. 26.—The plague is not abating. There were 160 deaths in Harbin yesterday, and slight general

increase in North China. The disease is travelling southward.

## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS.

The Government is calling out the personnel medical students and those in urgent need of a hundred foreign experts.

## CAUSES OF INFECTION.

It is recognized that the bands of Manchurian fugitives who are flocking southwards are spreading the disease, going to increase links of contact.

*N. C. D. News.*

## INTERNATIONAL FOOT- BALL.

## ANOTHER WIN FOR ENGLAND.

(THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.)

London, Jan. 29.

10.20 p.m.

The English team has again beaten France in the international football match.

The result was—

England ..... 37 points.

France ..... nil.

At half-time the score read:

8—0.

## DOMINION OF CANADA

## DUKE OF CONNAUGHT SAHS IN AUTUMN.

(THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.)

London, Jan. 30, 10 p.m.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught has had a

most magnificent reception in London.

A luncheon in his honour was held at the Guildhall, when a large and representative assembly extended him a most enthusiastic welcome.

The speeches were full of congratulation on the success which had attended his South African visit.

General satisfaction is felt throughout the country at the Canadian appointment.

London, Jan. 26.—Renter's Agency learns that the visit of the King and Queen Mary to Ireland and Scotland will not affect the appointment of the Duke of Connaught as Governor-General of Canada. It is understood that His Royal Highness will sail for Ottawa in the autumn.—*N. C. D. News.*

## END OF A GREAT IMPERIAL MISSION.

After a tour which will remain for ever memorable, the history of South Africa and of the Empire, the Duke of Connaught arrived in London on the 28th of December.

The Balmoral Castle, on which the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, accompanied by Prince Patrick, sailed on October 11 to open the Union Parliament of South Africa, reached Portsmouth again this morning, and the Royal travellers landed amid the roar of salutes and the cheers of the many spectators who had assembled to welcome them home again.

Lord Annesly, who proceeded specially to Portsmouth to welcome the Royal travellers on behalf of the King, travelled up to town with the Duke and Duchess together with the members of the suite who have been in attendance on the distinguished party throughout the whole of the tour in the South African Dominions. These were Lord Hume of Dalzell, Lord in-Waing, Sir Francis Hopwood, Permanent Under-Secretary for the Colonies; Commodore Ernest Wemyss, A.D.C. and Extra Equerry to the King;

Major H. C. Lowther, Private Secretary; Captain T. H. Rivers Bulkeley, Equerry; Captain R. F. S. Grant, Attaché; Captain E. S. Worthington, Medical Attendant; and Miss Pelly, in attendance upon the Duchess of Connaught.

## WHAT CONQUEST BRINGS HE HOME?

Their Royal Highnesses are bringing back with them a thousand stirring memories; and doublets, by and by when the Duke rises at the Guildhall in response to the formal welcome of the City of London, he

will tell us something of the scenes he has witnessed in those far away lands, and of the enormous value to the British

Empire of the brave endeavour, patriotic pride, and Imperial

joy that are being led there by the sturdy sons and devoted daughters of the Old Country.

He has reached, not for the first

time, it is true, but perhaps more convincingly than ever before, the reality of the golden link which unifies the British Empire; and he has been welcomed as warmly by men who

were our bitter foes ten years ago as by those who fought under the Union Jack in that stern and protracted conflict.

He has left a South Africa happier and more loyal for his presence, and to that extent he has strengthened the Empire. Such

is the "conquest" which His Royal Highness brings home with him, and for which London to-day claims him with

a joyful and grateful applause amid the sympathy of the whole nation.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

## NEWS FROM THE NORTH.

### CHINA'S FINANCES.

Peking, January 24.—The Ministry of Finance announces that the deficit for the year 1909-1910 was £1,800,000.

### THE PEKING-HANKOW RAILWAY.

Peking, January 24.—Messrs. Dunn, Fisher & Co. have signed the contract for the redemption loan of about £8,000,000 in connection with the Peking-Hankow Railway.—*N. C. D. News.*

## BOXING.

THE LEWIS-STANTON BOUT ON  
SATURDAY.

The contest on Saturday at the City Hall, when Lewis and Stanton met to decide the welter-weight supremacy, was one of the prettiest and cleanest fights it has been our good fortune to witness. Both men are masters of the art; both were in the pink of condition; both "did all they knew"; they "went" the full 25 three minute rounds. No sportsman could desire more, and while we sympathise with the plucky young fighter, Stanton, in his defeat on points we can congratulate him on a fine exhibition.

Lewis entered the ring at 139 lbs, his opponent being a pound heavier. The latter forced matters at once and the first round went to him. It was given and taken, but beautiful, fighting, until the fifth round, when the exchanges were extraordinarily fast. Lewis twice barely missed reaching his man with upper-cuts, and towards the close had Stanton on the defensive in the top corner. The sixth round saw Lewis also very strong.

In the seventh round the pace was forced by both men and Stanton evened up matters by two beautiful body blows, with a great deal of strength behind each. His left eye, however, was closing up. The terrific pace at which the fight was going was kept up in the following few rounds. Lewis shook his man in the eleventh but the compliment was returned in the next, which went to Stanton, who was fighting for all he was worth. His defensive work was fine and he gave now for blow until the 17th. He was then on the defensive, but the champion reached him with a jarring uppercut. Towards the end, he showed he had been punished, and after a tame last round the fight was given to Lewis on points.

The preliminaries were of a very fair character, the best being that between Private Potter, K.O.Y.L.I., and Seaman Prince of H.M.S. *Hawky*. The latter was too slow for the soldier and Potter won on points.

After punishing his man severely Stoker Arnold of H.M.S. *Monmouth* was awarded a decision against Gunner Bolbroke, R.G.A., and Gunner Aranell Bert Pto. Richards, K.O.Y.L.I. The fight was fast while it lasted, but Richards when knocked down near the ropes opened a recently sustained wound in his hand, and although not counted out could not continue the fight.

Several challenges were issued during the evening.

Stoker Arnold challenged Mickey Dunn for a side-bet of £500.

Stoker Tissen, of the *Monmouth*, challenged Private Richards, of the K.O.Y.L.I., and this was accepted. Kid Marrott again threw out the time-worn challenge to meet any one in the Colony at bantam-weight.

Terry Martin, of the cruiser *New York*, and Kid Parker, the China Constabulary, have signed articles and posted a forfeit for a middle-weight bout. They will meet February 10 under the auspices of the popular Cavite Athletic Club, Philippines.

The winner will be matched against Lewis of Hongkong. The winner of that match will then be eligible for a go with Kenny, champion middle-weight of the Philippines.

Senor Rodos is now on his way to Singapore, and leaves to-day for Saigon where, as well as in the Malay States, he will study the quality of the lumber as regards its varnish-producing value.

The South American manufacturer has already made a deep study of this branch of his business and we trust his visit will assure him of the good qualities of the Chinese varnish.

Admiral Sir Hedworth Lambton will receive many congratulations when it is known that he benefits nearly to the extent of three-quarters of a million under the will of Lady Meux. It is a sine qua non that Sir Hedworth Lambton must assume the name of Meux. To Lady Lambton—formerly Lady Chelms—she bequeathed Lady Meux's famous pearls, as well as other jewels of very considerable value.



On the 31st at 11:00 a.m.—The barometer has risen considerably over the E. and N.E. coasts of China, and fallen quickly in W. Japan and Vladivostok.

The northern depression, which was situated over Shantung yesterday, has reached N. Korea.

The southern depression remains over S. W. China and Tongking...

High pressure covers N.E. Japan. Conditions continue very abnormal, and strong winds with unsettled weather are indicated over the whole of the China coast.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.34 inches.

## FORECAST DISTRICT.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, E. winds, moderate to strong; squally, drizzling rain or mist.

2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, S.E. and E. winds, strong.

## HONGKONG'S FLOUR MARKET.

## REVIVAL REPORTED.

To the "flour men" of the Colony, at least, "Kung hei fat choi" will have a real meaning for 1911.

With the Shanghai flour mills shutting down, owing to the scarcity of wheat, the output of the Model Settlement is curtailed to such an extent that the trade between America and Hongkong is now very brisk.

The activity of the flour mills of Shanghai has, of late years, affected very seriously the flour trade of this Colony, causing it to lose nearly all of the Coast Port trade in that staple.

Shanghai has, itself, recently imported 300,000 bags of flour, required for the domestic market.

Hongkong has, during the past month, imported shipments amounting to 500,000 bags, 250,000 of which were handled and stored in godowns last week.

## CHINA'S TRADE.

### SOUTH AMERICAN VISITOR IN HONGKONG.

There is likely to be given an impetus to the export trade shortly, following the visit of Senor Roberto Rodos of Buenos Aires, who is a passenger on the s.s. *Caledonian*, which sails to-day.

Senor Rodos is the owner of large furniture factories in the Argentine capital, and he has come to the East, and particularly to China, to study the well-known varnishes and allied products produced in this part of the world.

Senor Rodos is now on his way to Singapore, and leaves to-day for Saigon where, as well as in the Malay States, he will study the quality of the lumber as regards its varnish-producing value.

The South American manufacturer has already made a deep study of this branch of his business and we trust his visit will assure him of the good qualities of the Chinese varnish.



## A BRITISH FLAG RECOVERED AFTER NINETY-FOUR YEARS.

The Journal of the Royal United Service Institution for November gives the story of a British flag which was captured at the Battle of Quatre Bras. In that battle an attack of French cavalry was expected, and the 39th Regiment was in the act of forming square, when the Prince of Orange rode up and ordered it to reform column and deploy into line. Down came a strong body of French cuirassiers from adjoining cover, took the British troops in flank, and succeeded in completely "rolling-up" the regiment. In the midst of the confusion one of the colours was carried off by the French cuirassiers. From General Donzelot, who had the flag, it passed to his nephew, General de Ricard, and again to his son, Louis Xavier de Ricard, who was keeper of the Chateau d'Azay-le-Rideau in the Touraine district in France. Louis gave the British and a Dutch flag to the hall porter in liquidation of a debt, and in 1803 an English officer, Captain J. P. Jeffcock, visiting this chateau, saw in the hall porter's lodges the flags labelled for sale. The price asked for the two flags was 600fr. This was at once paid. The flag measures six feet square. It is in a good state of preservation. The Dutch flag is of no consequence. The 60th Regiment, to which the King's colour belonged, was raised in 1803 and disbanded in 1816.

## THE AGE FOR LOVE.

"What is the age for love?" is a frequent topic for discussion among the fair correspondents of ladies' journals. The cable reporting the murder of a woman in Paris who had just married for the second time, at the age of 60, may give some clue to the answer. Another may be found in the behaviour of the young ladies in a child's party. From a thoughtful observation of many cases, we are inclined to believe that the age for love from a woman's point of view is between three and a hundred.

At the lower limit the young lady does most of the love-making herself in a bold and unblushing manner, while the young gentleman usually appears backward and embarrassed. If he is at all younger or smaller than she is, she invariably tries to pick him up, which still further adds to his distress. As the lady grows older she gets less forward, while the little boy inclines the other way. As to the "age for love," there is no noose the limits of a lifetime. It is characteristic of the arrogance of youth that they should regard it as being an essential quality of their own time. One might quote proverbs to refute them, such as, "While there's life, there's hope"; not to mention, "There's no fool like an old fool."

## MILITARISM IN KOREA.

## MORE COMMENT ON THE NEW COMPANY REGULATIONS.

The *Nippon*, in a trenchant article, discusses the company regulations in Korea, just issued, which, as our readers are aware, have elicited much adverse criticism. With the appointment of the Governor-General in Korea, says the *Nippon*, he was given, as in Formosa, almost absolute power of administration. At the time this provoked much discussion, instigated as this absolute authority vested in the Governor-General is a double-edged weapon which may be productive of either good or evil, according to the will of the wielder. It was hoped that Viscount Terauchi, as administrator of Korea would be sufficiently cautious and circumspect in the exercise of his authority, as such power as that with which he is vested is liable to abuse in the hands of any man. Since then reports reaching Japan from the Peninsula are unanimous in complaining of the inauguration of a distinct era of militarism and of the assumption of official authority everywhere.

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Hongkong, 3rd September, 1911.

## Intimations.

## MOTHERS SHOULD KNOW

The troubles with multitudes of girls is a want of proper nourishment and enough of it. Now-a-days they call this condition by the learned name of Anemia. But words change no facts. There are thousands of girls of this kind anywhere between childhood and young ladyhood. Disease finds most of its victims among them. They are too weak and frail to resist. Some of them are passing through the mysterious changes which lead up to maturity and need especial watchfulness and care. Alas! how many break down at this critical period, the story of such losses is the saddest in the history of home. The proper treatment might have saved most of these household treasures, if the mothers had only known.

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Hongkong, 28th January, 1911. 1831

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## PUBLIC AUCTION

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NOTICE is hereby given that the 11th ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings, in S.A. FURDAY, 4th February, 1911, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accrued Rent for the year ending 31st December, 1910.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, 26th January, to SATURDAY, 4th February (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, 17th January, 1911.

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SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 26th Jan., 1911. 1940

## HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 1st to 21st February, to 6 days inclusive.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JAN. 31, 1911.

## THE HEALTH OF CHINA

Our readers will be interested to learn—particularly at this time when plague is rampant in the north—of an organised, scientifically-directed, attempt that is to be made to place China hygienically upon a firm basis. In order to appreciate the terrible state of affairs, from the health point of view, in China we cannot do better than quote one of the leading spirits of the hygiene crusade who, in a lecture, described China's hygienic condition, in, as he said, terms of the United States. Thus: Take away every hospital among America's 90,000,000 people save 160, and then every physician except about 1,000. That number throughout the United States would give San Francisco only two doctors to care for her sick. Then do away with all medical schools but two, and forget all you know of hygiene and bacteriology. Next the State and municipal boards must go. Then the sewers must be filled up. Then put tuberculosis in every family. Let disease run wild. Place a great centre of cholera in the East. And then say

to four times as many people, "Here is where you must live." The picture is not overdrawn. It is China. But what a terrible picture it is of a land now trembling under the lash of disease. Only one hundred and sixty qualified physicians of Chinese race and only one thousand hospitals to succour 100,000,000 people, exposed far more than we of the West to the ill that flesh is heir to! It is no wonder that we, at least, regard with alarm the menace that threatens the country from the North. China in her present deplorable sanitary condition is a constant menace to the health of the world, and the most thoughtless among us must regard with feelings of deep satisfaction any attempt, however small, to put in a sanitary condition the most unsanitary spot in the universe known to us.

In this connection, those public-spirited and philanthropic people who have done and are doing so much for the furtherance of education in China should prove of very great utility. Schools and colleges, of a high grade are being established, and no more enviable laurels could crown their efforts than to be able to say in the not distant future: "We each gave China a thousand qualified doctors." The chair of Medicine should be for many years to come the most honoured in every university in this land. And its footstools, Pharmacy, Sanitation, Hygiene and kindred subjects, should be honoured above Theology. *Mens sana in corpore sano* is a desired end that can never be attained where dirt is king, for cleanliness is next to godliness, and China is unclean. We would wish to see every inducement placed before the youth of China to turn their thoughts to the study of medicine. Among a people who so dearly love the outward and visible signs of rank as the Chinese, (democratic though they are), an enormous impetus might be given by the Throne to this most necessary study were it to grant a special button to every qualified medical man who presented his diplomas at Peking. The Chinese love such things—as why should they not—and certainly no more deserving person could wear them than the man who gives his life to the alleviation of suffering. We have already noted in this column the need of primary schools, (probable, the father of kindergarten should be honoured in the land), since the Chinese student displays a lack of restraint due to the absence of the wholesome influence in his young days of such institutions. We can press that need in the matter of medical knowledge, or perhaps we should say, sanitary knowledge, as well. To primary schools, kindergartens in fact, some of the dirtiest and most poverty-stricken districts in the West of Ireland owe their present comparatively prosperous condition. The change was not made without opposition, nor in half a generation; but when the children of those who first learnt the lesson of cleanliness in the primaries in turn came to attend these schools, their influence worked upon their parents and brought back to them their own cleanly school days, with the happiest results. With houses clean as circumstances might permit, and with cleanly bodies, the people suddenly took up a new view point of life. The drink bill went down, banking accounts went up, industries appeared and established themselves solidly, and disease and famine disappeared. The boy, in this case was truly father to the man, for it was the children who led the social and subterranean revolution of which those who run may read in Sligo. And it is equally to her children that China must look to protect her from the results of centuries of sloth and opposition to progress. In their small hands lies the future; but at the present time Confucius should give place to Ascalaphus.

HONGKONG DAY  
BY DAY.

The Astrea arrived in Shanghai on the 24th.

A cricket league has been formed in Shanghai.

The Siberian mail arrived yesterday for the s.s. *Chenan*.

Dairon is deporting all "vagabond" Chinese from the leased territory.

The Empiro Skating Rink fancy dress ball will take place on the 28th of February.

A shipment of 85,000 lbs. has been made from San Francisco to Hongkong.

Interport football-matches between Shanghai and Tientsin were abandoned this week.

The s.s. *Yuenlong* arrived this morning with a large mail from Manila and Cebu.

Mr. C. F. McWilliams, of the Pacific Mail Co., Yokohama, is a guest at the Hongkong Hotel.

The Ruth, on her last trip, brought 450 tons of sugar and 450 bales of hemp from Manila.

Opium was found in the clothes box of a Chinese passenger arriving in Manila by the *Taisong* from Amoy.

British shipping on the whole, says the U. S. Consul in Manila, has not suffered by the free trade legislation.

The French Mail s.s. *Salazie* arrived late last evening, and the mail was delivered at the Post Office this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Frost are returning to the colony by the *Jyo Maru*, which left London on Dec. 24th.

Mr. Harvey, National Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of China, left to-day on the S.S. *Tambo Maru* for Shanghai.

Mr. Frank H. Vida, the well-known Shanghai jockey, arrived here yesterday, and is a guest at the Hongkong Hotel.

The Japanese cruiser *Atitsushima*, (Commander Abu) arrived this morning from the north. The cruiser will be in port for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Kuhn will be celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary to-morrow. They have resided in the Colony for twenty-five years.

Having been refitted at Devonport, the cruiser *Pelorus* will leave England on February 21 for Hongkong with a new crew for the surveying ship *Merlin*.

Three men entered a house in Pottin-gate Street (No. 31), gashed the woman who opened the door and stole clothing to the value of \$200 on Sunday last.

The proposed walking tour of the Y. M. C. A. to Canton has not taken place, on account of the failure to make arrangements at Lown.

Quite a severe暴風 in the outlying districts of Shanghai owing to a series of daring and successful burglaries which have recently been perpetrated.

The flags of the various Consulates and of the men-of-war in Shanghai were flown at half-mast on the 24th in memory of the death of Rear-Admiral Guelde.

Two false fire alarms were given during the Chinese New Year. One was on Sunday night in Connaught Road and the other was early this morning in Graham Street.

The United Tobacco Stores of the United States are contemplating opening a cigar factory in Hongkong, and their manager has written to the Merchants' Association of Manila, for the addresses of firms where tobacco, labels and boxes might be secured.

The German cruiser *Scharnhorst*, which had hoped to be in port in time for the Emperor's birthday last week, is expected from Batavia on Saturday next. The *Scharnhorst* was recalled by wireless to Batavia while on her way north.

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## CHINA NEW YEAR.

The China New Year festivities have been and still are being enjoyed by our native neighbours in time-honoured fashion; none the less because the weather promises "good joss" for the coming year.

Thousands of dollars have been expended on the ubiquitous fire-cracker. Many thousands have boasted in public and in their own homes. Friendly rivalry among the firms to present a brave show has lent its aid to the occasion. House-boys, by their absence, have emphasised their value.

The fair, as usual, was held in Jersey and surrounding streets, which were crammed with sightseers of all nationalities. Among them were many European artists, attempting to catch the Turneresque effects which the murky atmosphere, the moving throng, bright dresses and glowing lights gave to the scene.

Temples were crowded with the devout, praying for prosperity and happiness in the New Year, while over the well-laden tables families were re-united, and later, perhaps, enjoyed a little flutter at *fan-tan*.

No disorders worthy of comment occurred, the people being all most well-behaved.

The small shops resumed business to-day. The larger ones will only remove their shutters on the 4th, while the wealthy merchants will condescend to talk business after the 10th. To all of them we wish Happy New Year.

## NEW CANNON FOR CHINA.

THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.

Canton, Jan. 30.

His Excellency the Canton Viceroy is in receipt of a despatch from the Army Advisory Council inquiring into the old and new types of cannon at present in use in the province.

The despatch says that the object of the inquiry is to prepare for the adoption of a uniform pattern of cannon throughout the Empire. The types of these instruments of destruction in the provinces are at present varied. It is necessary to institute a thorough inquiry into the numbers of the old and new cannon in every province, the countries in which they are manufactured, their cost, and the expenses incurred in testing their usefulness. Officials are to submit a report of the stock of cannon in shore batteries, and men-of-war.

On receipt of the despatch His Excellency the Viceroy notified Admiral Li Chiu, and requested him to instruct the officials in charge of the arsenals and those in the naval yards to make the report in accordance with the requirements of the Army Advisory Council.

ACTING CONSUL-GENERAL PHILIPPS states that imports from Hongkong have increased slightly, but exports show a decrease as compared with 1908 of 77,712, due principally to the prohibition of transhipment under free trade with the United States. There was an increase of over 6,000,000 in the quantity of cement imported, but its value fell off by 3,272. Imports of refined sugar rose from 3,050,086 in 1908 to 4,552,820 in 1909, their values being 20,971 and 28,968 respectively. The decrease in exports is due to lessened sales of cigars, hemp and raw sugar, the latter declining from 378,807 to 317,748.

AMERICA AND THE FAR EAST.

BOLEFUL PROPHECY OF UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT.

San Francisco, Jan. 17.—Last night, the President of the California University delivered a speech entitled "The Americans." Referring to the future of the Pacific Ocean, the speaker said that the United States which had held hardly any intercourse with the East for several centuries, was now faced to face with the East on the Pacific coast. The Pacific Ocean, he declared, would some day be the scene of a great conflict between the East and the West.

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## LATEST MAIL NEWS.

A Liverpool soap manufacturing company contemplates erecting a large oil mill in Manchuria.

It is reported that Count Okuma has decided to visit England in April next with a view to establishing an Anglo-Japanese Commercial Alliance.

Mr. Jno. Richmond Tibbald, of Bournemouth, left yesterday 200/ to the China Inland Mission.

The Law Journal points out that the number of lawyers in the new Parliament is practically the same as in the old.

The three submarines for Hongkong are of the B class, having a tonnage of 321, an extreme speed of 13 knots, and armament of two torpedo tubes.

Pilot T. Mackie, of Singapore, died in London last month.

A Chinaman in South Kedah who was found in possession of a full list of thirty oaths of the Triad Society, and a book containing secret signs, has been sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd's dividend is estimated at 4 per cent, and the Hamburg American Co.'s at 8 per cent. (6 per cent. for 1909.)

The Hamburg Chamber of Commerce says business has not commenced but unfavourably in China. In South China business has been normal.

Almost all large German banks, so far as they are run on sound lines, and are well founded, have worked favourably in 1910, and are expected to declare satisfactory dividends. It is estimated that the Deutsche Bank will distribute 12½ per cent.

The armies of China are said to number all told between 500,000 and 600,000 men; but most of these soldiers are entirely ineffective except for suppressing risings of unarmed people, says Mr. Frederick Moore in the "Daily Graphic."

It is understood that it is the intention of the King and Queen to wear the same ceremonial robes at their Coronation as were made for and used by King Edward and Queen Alexandra.

Mr. R. F. Doherty, the elder of the two famous brothers, who from 1897 to 1905 were the two greatest British players of lawn tennis, died last month.

The cruiser *Highflyer* will leave Sheerness on Feb. 26 to relieve the cruiser *Hyacinth* as flagship of the Commander-in-Chief of the East Indies Station.

The Rubber Share Market has been in a "holiday mood" all the week, says the "L. & C. Express" of the 30th ult., and closed with some sagging on the part of the leaders. There is no great change in quotations, and whilst speculative business is at a standstill, there has been some quiet investment buying.

It is understood that as the result of heavy losses incurred during the past two or three years, a number of underwriting members of Lloyd's have resigned. It is calculated that the losses which have been paid this year amount to six millions sterling.

The United States Government has entered a suit in the Federal Court against 18 steamship lines under the Anti-Trust Law, charging the companies with attempting to monopolize the transportation of steerage passengers between the United States and foreign countries.

It is almost needless to say that the earlier methods adopted by the Japanese to pacify the Formosan savages did not commend themselves to the Chinese, says a correspondent.

We learn from the *Tsungs* dispatch that the Mita Bishi Company has concluded a contract to supply bunkers oil to the steamers of the Russian Volunteer Fleet at Singapore and all ports east thereof.

Nagasaki, the poor victim of political vicissitudes, which was once so flourishing and so promising a city, has now become a mere shade of its former self.

The Portuguese Government has published a law declaring duelling illegal.

At the Chinese Y.M.C.A. a large number of members assembled, to celebrate the New Year. Mr. Park Po, the President, was in the chair. An enjoyable evening was spent.

## CANTON NEWS.

FEW FAILURES.

THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.

Canton, Jan. 30.

The year closes with very few cases of failures, so far as Canton is concerned.

The money market is in a sound condition. Two shops in Lanter Street have gone into liquidation, owing, it is alleged, to the loss of capital. A shop dealing in white sugar was shut up with heavy liabilities. The master, finding himself hard

## OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

## WHAT THEY THINK.

China Mail.

## CHINA NEW YEAR.

There is no denying the fact that a spirit of cheerful optimism pervades the Colony to day. The China New Year settlements are closing most satisfactorily and the financial complications which many feared two months ago have not eventuated. In fact, only one failure is to be recorded, and that of an outport Chinese firm of only minor importance. Money is plentiful; indeed, the cry in local banking circles is that, if anything, it is a little too plentiful, and that the need of the moment is for opportunities for its profitable employment. With trade booming in England, with tranquillity more or less assured in all the principal producing and absorbing centres of the world, with credit gradually strengthening throughout China, one can be forgiven for taking a more hopeful view of the immediate future than one did this time a year ago.

Daily Press.

## OFF THE CHAIN.

People will become more adventurous; they will travel more, will become more independent economically as the result of being able to take their labour to other markets and other fields, yet the means of wealth which makes all this possible must have its source in some abiding place. That is a consideration which seems to have been overlooked by our modern prophet. Labour may be fluid, may move from place to place, but wealth, the product of such labour, must be localised. Food can only be grown by certain attachment to the soil, while articles of dress and daily use are produced in specialised centres which mean some degree of permanence. Therefore, though we travel more in the future, we must always have some abiding place either in our native land, in the colonies where we find free opportunities, or in some new land of our adoption.

South China Morning Post.

## TEN PER CENT.

In this view, of course, the chairman of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, Ltd., speaks as the representative of the stocks which, broadly speaking, can be termed "Industrials." But the day has gone when investors looked to dividends only, and did not concern themselves with the marketable character of their holdings. For some years past, a change has taken place in the relative values of all securities. As Foreign and Colonial Governments and Municipal Corporations have come forward with stocks so leasable at 10%, and carrying four and a half per cent, investors have been caught by the safety of the offered security.

## BILLIARDS.

## SOLDIERS' CLUB TOURNAMENT.

Two other matches were played in the Soldiers' Club last night in connection with the above competition between the Hongkong Volunteer Reserves and the A.O.C. The first game was played between Mr. Thornhill and Private Lushbrook. It resulted in favour of Thornhill, 250-233. The winner's best break was 18.

The next game was between Mr. Bond and Capt. Hunter; and this time it resulted in a win for the A.O.C. man. The result was 250-230. Capt. Hunter's breaks were 26, 21, 17 and 14. The scores up to date are as follows:—

H.K.V.R.

Mr. Gipps.....	250
Mr. Faris.....	197
Mr. Thornhill.....	250
Mr. Bond.....	230
A.O.C.	
Capt. Lydon.....	142
Staff-Sgt. Sergeant.....	250
Private Lushbrook.....	239
Capt. Hunter.....	250

Two other games will be played to-night, the results of which will appear in to-morrow's issue.

A double ricksha containing two women was run into, opposite Murray Barracks on Sunday, by a motor car. The passengers of the ricksha were thrown out and the coolie slightly injured. The driver of the car, a European, paid for the repair of the ricksha and paid compensation to the coolie.

## VOLUNTEER NEWS.

## CARCOIGNE SHIELD COMPETITION.

The Gascoigne Shield competition, in connection with the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, took place on Saturday afternoon at Tai Hang Range. The day was a bad one for shooting, and a strong S.E. wind was blowing across the targets. At times the targets could hardly be seen, as a thick cloud kept sweeping over them. In spite of this, some excellent shooting was seen on the range.

The No. 1 Company did not enter for the competition this year, and in all four Companies paraded on the range as follows: Nos. 2, 3 and 4 Artillery Companies and the Infantry Company.

The first company to take the range was No. 4, who entered four guns crew and the next to enter was the No. 3 Company, who also entered 4 guns crew, and this was followed by No. 2 Company with one gun each.

## STANDARD TEST.

In spite of the bad weather yesterday morning a large number of Volunteers paraded at King's Park range to fire their "Standard Test." Only the 100 yards' firing was completed, and after this range work had to be stopped owing to the heavy shower.

## ENGINEERS VISIT THE ELECTRIC LIGHT STATION.

The members of the Engineers' Institute who were invited to visit the Electric Light Station on Saturday went by car and arrived at their destination about 2.30 p.m., where they were received by Messrs. H. B. Bridger and J. J. Stublings, of the Electric Company's staff. The visitors were taken round the electric works, where they were shown the latest Diesel engine, and had explained at length the working of this engine, three of which had already been installed in the building.

After this, the visitors inspected the boiler or steam plant, which is kept ready in case of any emergency.

Among other less interesting things seen by the visitors was the big tank where crude oil is kept. The visitors were then very hospitably entertained by Messrs. Bridger and Stublings.

Mr. McCubbin, on behalf of the Engineers' Institute, thanked their hosts for the very enjoyable and instructive afternoon afforded them, to which Mr. Stublings suitably responded.

## FINANCIAL NEWS.

## EUROPEAN FREIGHT MARKET.

Messrs. Whealock & Co.'s report states:—Our homeward freight market has been very active since we last wrote, especially to Europe, and there is quite a large quantity of cargo coming forward from the exports; it looks, in fact, as if we were going to experience another "rush" of cargo similar to the one we had a year ago.

Europe—Things are very quiet in the North and although there is very little local tonnage seeking employment there is also an absence of demand which tends to keep rates low; latest advices from the South show a healthier tone and it is earnestly to be hoped that we may see some improvement after the China New Year.

## SHANGHAI'S COAL MARKET.

The report of the 26th, by Messrs. Whealock & Co., states:—Coal—Japan.—This market has been very quiet since last writing and only a very slight business has been done with native dealers partly on account of the closeness of China New Year and partly on account of the unsettled state of exchange; prices are steady both locally and in Japan and we hope to see some improvement in the amount of business done in the near future.

Cardiff.—No news.

Sydney Wollongong.—Stagnant. Manchurian Coal.—The plague in the North having stopped the export of beans, it is hoped that the railway will be able to handle some of the coal which is due for export from Dalmat.

The quotations from the Stock Exchange, Shanghai, on the 26th were:—Mantchurian, etc., in Langkat, Ld. shares at Tls. 117 and 118 for cash; Shanghai Cotton Manufacturing, Co., shares at Tls. 50 for cash; Anglo-Java Estates, Ld. shares at Tls. 7½ for cash; Anglo-Dutch (Java) Plantations, Ld. shares at Tls. 2 for cash; Cheng Rubber Estates, Ld. shares at Tls. 8½ for cash; Amherst Rubber Estate, Ld. shares at Tls. 6½ for cash; Country Club 6 per cent debentures at par cash; and Yangtze Insurance Association, Ld. shares at \$207½ for cash.

## CHINA, BREEDING PLACE OF DISEASE.

## MEDICAL MAN'S OBSERVATIONS.

Stamping out pestilence, plague and disease in China are measures of protection for public health on the Pacific coast and in the world was the theme of a discourse by Dr. M. R. Edwards of Harvard University at the Commonwealth club luncheon in the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, on the 24th ult.

Doctor Edwards drew a terrible picture of the prevalence of every kind of disease in China. After showing that all the devastating plagues in the world's history sprang from Asia he outlined the plan of Harvard University to fight disease where it breeds. An army of young American doctors, specially trained, will be sent to China to build up a Chinese health institution.

Doctor Edwards asked San Francisco businessmen to follow the example of eastern merchants and give financial aid to the movement.

On "The hygienic regeneration of China," Doctor Edwards said:

"China, the breeding place of cholera and bubonic plague, the hotbed of disease, menaces the world. My year's trip in China has revealed astounding conditions of insanitation. Uneated disease is everywhere. Smallpox and scarlet fever greet one in the streets. Smallpox is given to babies so that they may die young if they are to be victims."

To understand China's pitiable state we will suppose our population of 90,000,000 was multiplied by four, do away with all but 100 hospitals, have but 1,000 physicians, or two assigned to San Francisco, have two medical schools, discharge staff and municipal health boards, stop up the sewers, put tuberculosis in every family, let disease run riot, have a cholera centre on the Atlantic and bubonic plague on the Pacific coast, and when you have pictured this state of rampant pestilence, you will have a fair idea of actual conditions in China.

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Police Ground and resulted in a win for the Police. This makes their second win for the season. They compiled 85 runs to their opponents' 48. The best score in the game was put up by the Police—12 runs.

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## SATURDAY'S SPORT.

## FOOTBALL.

The Second Division League match did not come off on Saturday owing to the 83rd Company, Royal Garrison not putting in an appearance. The B.O.C. turned up.

RUGBY.

A friendly game of Rugby was played on the Hongkong Football Club ground at Happy Valley between a team from H.M.S. Tamar and H.M.S. Newcastle. The game was a fast and exciting one, and resulted in a win for the Tamar, by 13 points to nil.

H.M.S. WATERWITZ vs. H.M.S. ALACRITY.

The above teams met at Happy Valley in connection with the small ship's football league. The encounter was a good one from start to finish, and resulted in a win for the Alacrity by 2 goals to one.

B.O.C. vs. 83RD CO. R.O.C.A.

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LEAGUE CRICKET.

C.C.C. vs. R.O.C.A.

The Craigengower Cricket Club met the Royal Garrison Artillery team on their ground, and the game resulted in an easy victory for the C.C.C.

The Craigengower men were in grand form, and compiled some excellent scores. Their wickets were five down for 145 runs. The R.G.A.'s were all out for 98 runs. E. L. Braga made the top score for the C.C.C., 40 runs, not out and next to him was R. Bass, 34 not out.

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HEROIC CREW.

FIGHT FIRE ON KUMSANG FOR THREE DAYS.

As we have already announced a serious fire broke out on board the s.s. "Kumsang," while on her last voyage from Singapore to Hongkong, and between the former port and Saigon. We have now received full details of the affair.

When the fire was discovered in No. 3 hold, the Chief Officer at once superintended the laying out of the hoses, while the Third Officer went down into the smoking twang decks on a life-saving expedition, and succeeded in rescuing from the burning parts of the vessel, two women, a crippled man, and a baby, all natives, all of whom were almost suffocated and greatly exhausted.

When the Third Officer had cleaned the two decks of passengers, the hatches were battened down and four or five hoses and a steam pipe fixed on to ventilators. When this was done the Captain altered the ship's course and proceeded with full steam to the Pulo, Cecil, or Mor, Island, arriving there at 1 p.m.

After the ship had anchored the hatches were taken off and water played direct into the lower hold, the seat of the fire. But this attempt to extinguish the fire had soon to be abandoned, owing to the dense volume





